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I want to thank Holly for the dedication she has shown while working for me and my staff. It was a pleasure to have her as part of our team. I know she will have continued success with all of her future endeavors. I wish her all my best on her next journey.●

#### TRIBUTE TO GABRIEL LEPINSKI

● Mr. BARRASSO. Mr. President, I would like to take the opportunity to express my appreciation to Gabriel Lepinski for his hard work as an intern in the Republican Policy Committee. I recognize his efforts and contributions to my office as well as to the State of Wyoming.

Gabe is a native of Illinois. He currently attends the University of Kansas, where he studies political science and Arabic. He has demonstrated a strong work ethic, which has made him an invaluable asset to our office. The quality of his work is reflected in his great efforts over the last several months.

I want to thank Gabe for the dedication he has shown while working for me and my staff. It was a pleasure to have him as part of our team. I know he will have continued success with all of his future endeavors. I wish him all my best on his next journey.●

#### TRIBUTE TO KYLE PALADINO

● Mr. BARRASSO. Mr. President, I would like to take the opportunity to express my appreciation to Kyle Paladino for his hard work as an intern in my Washington, DC, office. I recognize his efforts and contributions to my office as well as to the State of Wyoming.

Kyle is a native of New Jersey. He currently attends the University of Georgia, where he studies political science. Kyle will attend the University of Georgia School of Law this fall. He has demonstrated a strong work ethic, which has made him an invaluable asset to our office. The quality of his work is reflected in his great efforts over the last several months.

I want to thank Kyle for the dedication he has shown while working for me and my staff. It was a pleasure to have him as part of our team. I know he will have continued success with all of his future endeavors. I wish him all my best on his next journey.●

#### TRIBUTE TO NOLAN RAP

● Mr. BARRASSO. Mr. President, I would like to take the opportunity to express my appreciation to Nolan Rap for his hard work as an intern in the Senate Committee on Indian Affairs. I

recognize his efforts and contributions to my office as well as to the State of Wyoming.

Nolan is a native of Cheyenne and a graduate of Cheyenne East High School. He currently attends the University of Wyoming, where he studies political science and Russian. He has demonstrated a strong work ethic, which has made him an invaluable asset to our office. The quality of his work is reflected in his great efforts over the last several months.

I want to thank Nolan for the dedication he has shown while working for me and my staff. It is a pleasure to have him as part of our team. I know he will have continued success with all of his future endeavors. I wish him all my best on his journey.●

#### TRIBUTE TO CHRISTINE KELLER

● Mr. THUNE. Mr. President, today I recognize Christine Keller, an intern in my Sioux Falls, SD, office for all of the hard work she has done for me, my staff, and the State of South Dakota.

Christine is a graduate of Lincoln High School in Sioux Falls, SD. Currently, Christine is attending Augustana University, where she is majoring in government, international affairs, and economics. Christine is a dedicated worker who has been committed to getting the most out of her experience.

I extend my sincere thanks and appreciation to Christine Keller for all of the fine work she has done and wish her continued success in the years to come.●

#### MESSAGES FROM THE PRESIDENT

Messages from the President of the United States were communicated to the Senate by Mr. Pate, one of his secretaries.

#### EXECUTIVE MESSAGES REFERRED

As in executive session the Presiding Officer laid before the Senate messages from the President of the United States submitting sundry nominations which were referred to the appropriate committees.

(The messages received today are printed at the end of the Senate proceedings.)

#### MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE

At 3:03 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mr. Novotny, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has passed the following bills, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.R. 3724. An act to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to prohibit the Commissioner of the Internal Revenue Service from rehiring any employee of the Internal Revenue Service who was involuntarily separated from service for misconduct.

H.R. 4890. An act to impose a ban on the payment of bonuses to employees of the In-

ternal Revenue Service until the Secretary of the Treasury develops and implements a comprehensive customer service strategy.

#### MEASURES REFERRED

The following bills were read the first and the second times by unanimous consent, and referred as indicated:

H.R. 3724. An act to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to prohibit the Commissioner of the Internal Revenue Service from rehiring any employee of the Internal Revenue Service who was involuntarily separated from service for misconduct; to the Committee on Finance.

H.R. 4890. An act to impose a ban on the payment of bonuses to employees of the Internal Revenue Service until the Secretary of the Treasury develops and implements a comprehensive customer service strategy; to the Committee on Finance.

#### MEASURES PLACED ON THE CALENDAR

The following bills were read the second time, and placed on the calendar:

H.R. 1206. An act to prohibit the hiring of additional Internal Revenue Service employees until the Secretary of the Treasury certifies that no employee of the Internal Revenue Service has a seriously delinquent tax debt.

H.R. 4885. An act to require that user fees collected by the Internal Revenue Service be deposited into the general fund of the Treasury.

#### EXECUTIVE AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

The following communications were laid before the Senate, together with accompanying papers, reports, and documents, and were referred as indicated:

EC-5184. A joint communication from the Secretary of Defense and the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, transmitting a request relative to issuing a travel restriction on senior officials' travel to Afghanistan for the period of June 1, 2016 through September 30, 2016; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-5185. A communication from the Acting Principal Deputy Under Secretary of Defense (Personnel and Readiness), transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled, "2013 Workplace and Equal Opportunity Survey of Active Duty Members"; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-5186. A communication from the Assistant General Counsel for Legislation, Regulation and Energy Efficiency, Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy, Department of Energy, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Energy Conservation Program for Consumer Products and Certain Commercial and Industrial Equipment: Determination of Portable Air Conditioners as a Covered Consumer Product" (RIN1904-AD02) (Docket No. EERE-2013-BT-STD-0033) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 19, 2016; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-5187. A communication from the Assistant Secretary of the Army (Civil Works), transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the Skokomish River Basin Ecosystem Restoration project in Mason County, Washington, for the purpose of aquatic ecosystem restoration; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5188. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Announcement and Report Concerning Advance Pricing Agreements" (Announcement 2016-12) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 19, 2016; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-5189. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Update of Weighted Average Interest Rates, Yield Curves, and Segment Rates" (Notice 2016-25) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 19, 2016; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-5190. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Inversions and Related Transactions" ((RIN1545-BM88) (TD 9761)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 19, 2016; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-5191. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fringe Benefits Aircraft Valuation Formula" (Rev. Rul. 2016-10) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 19, 2016; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-5192. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Purchase Price Safe Harbors for Sections 143 and 25" (Rev. Proc. 2016-25) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 19, 2016; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-5193. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Indexing Adjustments for Sections 36B and 5000A" (Rev. Proc. 2016-24) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 19, 2016; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-5194. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "2016 Automobile Price Inflation Adjustment" (Rev. Proc. 2016-23) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 19, 2016; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-5195. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act (DDTC 16-019); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-5196. A communication from the Assistant General Counsel for Regulatory Affairs, Consumer Product Safety Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Standard for Automatic Residential Garage Door Operators" (RIN3041-AD35) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 18, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5197. A communication from the Deputy Bureau Chief, Wireline Competition Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Connect America Fund; ETC Annual Reports and Certifications; Rural Broadband Experiments" ((RIN3060-AF85) (FCC 16-28)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 18, 2016; to

the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5198. A communication from the Assistant Secretary of Defense (Legislative Affairs), transmitting legislative proposals relative to the "National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2017"; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-5199. A communication from the Under Secretary of Defense (Acquisition, Technology, and Logistics), transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled, "Fiscal Year 2017 Staff Years of Technical Effort and Estimated Funding for Department of Defense Federally Funded Research and Development Centers"; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-5200. A communication from the Secretary, Division of Trading and Markets, Securities and Exchange Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Business Conduct Standards for Security-Based Swap Dealers and Major Security-Based Swap Participants" (RIN3235-AL10) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 20, 2016; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-5201. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Supplemental Finding that it is Appropriate and Necessary to Regulate Hazardous Air Pollutants from Coal- and Oil-Fired Electric Utility Steam Generating Units" (FRL No. 9945-33-OAR) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 20, 2016; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5202. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Federal Plan Requirements for Sewage Sludge Incineration Units Constructed on or Before October 14, 2010" (FRL No. 9940-50-OAR) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 20, 2016; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5203. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Clarification of Requirements for Method 303 Certification Training" ((RIN2060-AR97) (FRL No. 9945-34-OAR)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 20, 2016; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5204. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval of California Air Plan Revisions, San Joaquin Valley Unified Air Pollution Control District" (FRL No. 9944-38-Region 9) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 20, 2016; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5205. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; AR; Redesignation of the Crittenden County, 2008 8-Hour Ozone Nonattainment Area to Attainment" (FRL No. 9945-40-Region 6) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 20, 2016; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5206. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Air

Quality Implementation Plans; Pennsylvania; Attainment Plan for the Lower Beaver Valley Nonattainment Area for the 2008 Lead National Ambient Air Quality Standards" (FRL No. 9945-45-Region 3) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 20, 2016; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5207. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Pennsylvania; 2011 Base Year Inventories for the 2008 8-Hour Ozone National Ambient Air Quality Standard for the Allentown-Bethlehem-Easton, Lancaster, Pittsburgh-Beaver Valley, and Reading Areas, and the Pennsylvania Portion of the Philadelphia-Wilmington-Atlantic City Area" (FRL No. 9945-47-Region 3) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 20, 2016; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5208. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Maryland; State Board Requirements" (FRL No. 9945-44-Region 3) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 20, 2016; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5209. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Air Quality Plans; North Carolina; Infrastructure Requirements for the 2010 Sulfur Dioxide National Ambient Air Quality Standard" (FRL No. 9945-62-Region 4) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 20, 2016; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5210. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Air Plan Approval; Tennessee: Knox County VOC Limits Revision for Permits" (FRL No. 9945-22-Region 4) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 20, 2016; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5211. A communication from the Wildlife Biologist, Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Migratory Bird Hunting; Final Frameworks for Late-Season Migratory Bird Hunting Regulations" (RIN1018-BA70) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 20, 2016; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5212. A communication from the Acting Unified Listing Team Manager, Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and Plants; Threatened Species Status for the Big Sandy Crayfish and Endangered Species Status for the Guyandotte River Crayfish" (RIN1018-BA85) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 20, 2016; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5213. A communication from the Acting Unified Listing Team Manager, Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and Plants; Designation and Nondesignation of Critical Habitat on Molokai, Lanai, Maui, and Kahoolawe for 135 Species" (RIN1018-AZ25) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 20, 2016; to

the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5214. A communication from the Acting Unified Listing Team Manager, Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and Plants; Designation of Critical Habitat for the New Mexico Meadow Jumping Mouse" (RIN1018-AZ32) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 20, 2016; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5215. A communication from the Chief of the Branch of Recovery and State Grants, Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and Plants; Removal of the Louisiana Black Bear From the Federal List of Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and Removal of Similarity-of-Appearance Protections for the American Black Bear" (RIN1018-BA44) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 20, 2016; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5216. A communication from the Wildlife Biologist, Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Migratory Bird Subsistence Harvest in Alaska; Harvest Regulations for Migratory Birds in Alaska During the 2016 Season" (RIN1018-BB10) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 20, 2016; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5217. A communication from the Director of the Office of Regulatory Affairs and Collaborative Action, Bureau of Indian Affairs, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Financial Assistance and Social Services Programs; Burial Assistance" (RIN1076-AF29) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 20, 2016; to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

EC-5218. A communication from the Director of Regulations and Policy Management Staff, Food and Drug Administration, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Food Additives Permitted for Direct Addition to Food for Human Consumption; Folic Acid" (Docket No. FDA-2012-F-0480) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 20, 2016; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-5219. A communication from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a petition to add workers who were employed at the Kansas City Plant, Kansas City, Missouri, to the Special Exposure Cohort; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-5220. A communication from the Executive Director, Interstate Commission on the Potomac River Basin, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Commission's Seventy-Fourth Financial Statement for the period of October 1, 2014 through September 30, 2015; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-5221. A communication from the Secretary of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "2016 Annual Report: The U.S. Department of Transportation's (DOT) Status of Actions Addressing the Safety Issue Areas on the National Transportation Safety Board's (NTSB) Most Wanted List"; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5222. A communication from the Assistant General Counsel for Regulatory Affairs, Consumer Product Safety Commission,

transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Standard for Portable Hook-On Chairs" (RIN3041-AD40) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 20, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

#### PETITIONS AND MEMORIALS

The following petitions and memorials were laid before the Senate and were referred or ordered to lie on the table as indicated:

POM-157. A concurrent resolution adopted by the House of Delegates of the State of West Virginia urging the United States Congress to provide funding for the West Virginia National Guard to sustain and enhance its capabilities in its role in a regional catastrophe and to modernize the antiquated avionics of its fleet of C130s and other aircraft to meet global airspace requirements for 2020; to the Committee on Armed Services.

#### HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 20

Whereas, In the event of a regional catastrophe, West Virginia's east-west highways, including I-68 and I-64 are links to the major exit corridors from the FEMA National Capital Region (NCR) westward and, assuming that a regional catastrophe will likely include Baltimore to the north of the NCR and Richmond to the south of the NCR, westward evacuation utilizing these highways is highly likely and is, in fact anticipated; and

Whereas, The routes through West Virginia will traverse rural areas that do not have infrastructure adequate for what could be a mass of evacuees in the worst-case scenario; experience in regional emergencies, such as Superstorm Sandy in 2012, illustrates some shortcomings in planning that is less focused on regions and more on states; and

Whereas, West Virginia is perfectly (and geographically) postured to support any emergency or disaster response to the NCR, including mass evacuation westward; and

Whereas, FEMA regions do not necessarily represent grouping of states likely to be involved in some scenarios; FEMA region III contains the NCR and West Virginia as its western-most edge and in a major catastrophe, Regions V, with Ohio, Indiana, and Illinois, VII with Missouri, and IV with Kentucky, Tennessee, and North Carolina are likely to be involved in some combinations; and

Whereas, The National Guard, through the use of Emergency Management Assistance Compacts, can operate across state lines to provide vital response capability in security, transportation, medical, housing, communications, command and control, and others based on its dual role in military preparedness and state civil support; and

Whereas, Military Force Structure assigned to the National Guard must be considered by Federal Military planners for the dual use they can encounter; National Guard Organizations require personnel, equipment, organization, training, leadership and funding to maintain federal military standards and to be prepared to respond to a domestic emergency or disaster; and

Whereas, Regional catastrophic planning is dependent on National Guard assets, capabilities and responsiveness; consequently, it is also critical that federal military planners assess the impact of their force structure changes on regional capability needs as I well as those that are state specific; and

Whereas, The C-130 H3 "Hercules" aircraft assigned to the 130th Airlift Wing of the West Virginia National Guard at Yeager Airport in Charleston, West Virginia will eventually become obsolete without system modernization to the communication, naviga-

tion, and surveillance (CNS) components; National Air Traffic Control (ATC) agencies and the International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO) are modernizing airspace faster than the US Air Force is updating C-130 avionics capabilities; and

Whereas, Aircraft component acquisition becomes increasingly difficult as fewer C-130 H aircraft remain in the Air Force inventory and the unique components of the C-130, including its self contained navigational system (SCNS), face short term supply chain shortages that could be remedied with aircraft avionics modernization; and

Whereas, The contract to perform maintenance on aircraft flight computers is renewed annually and this perpetual reliance on short term contracts increases sustainment cost and challenges mission effectiveness and operational planning; and

Whereas, Reliance on short term contracts and antiquated avionics will increase Air Force expense in the long run as it translates to more expensive mission-essential contracts and increased fuel expenditures due to inefficient routing: Now, therefore, be it

*Resolved by the Legislature of West Virginia,* That the Legislature hereby urges the United States Congress to provide funding for the West Virginia National Guard to sustain and enhance its capabilities in its role in a regional catastrophe and to modernize the antiquated avionics of its fleet of C-130s and other aircraft to meet global airspace requirements for 2020; and be it

*Further Resolved,* That the Clerk of the House of Delegates is hereby directed to forward a copy of this resolution to the President and Secretary of the United States Senate, the Speaker and Clerk of the House of Representatives and to the members of West Virginia congressional delegation.

POM-158. A joint resolution adopted by the Legislature of the State of Tennessee urging the President of the United States and the United States Congress to take immediate action to protect citizens and lawful residents from the consequences resulting from the uncontrolled influx of undocumented immigrants into this country; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

#### HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 70

Whereas, the federal Department of Homeland Security has set forth in a report, entitled Estimates of the Unauthorized Immigrant Population Residing in the United States: January 2011 that the unauthorized immigrant population totaled 11.5 million in 2011; and

Whereas, the U.S. Customs and Border Protection agency apprehended 486,651 individuals crossing the borders of the United States in fiscal year 2014 alone; and

Whereas, the power to control immigration and naturalization is reserved to the federal government by the provisions of Article I, Section 8, of the United States Constitution, which tasks the legislative branch with establishing uniform rules of naturalization; and

Whereas, the explosive growth in numbers of illegal immigrants, including a substantial increase in unaccompanied alien children, over the past few years reflects a failure by the President of the United States, his administration, and the various members of Congress to implement procedures that adequately address this issue; and

Whereas, despite the lack of authority granted to the states to fully address the issue of illegal immigration, as evidenced by recent court decisions, including *Arizona v. United States*, 132 S. Ct. 2492 (2012), the costs of supporting illegal immigrants in this country continues to fall directly to the several states, and their counties and cities; and